

HOUSE RESOLUTION 107
By Goins

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend David Chapman for meritorious service as Campbell County March of Dimes WalkAmerica Chairman.

WHEREAS, the March of Dimes is a national voluntary health organization whose noble mission is to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects and infant mortality.

Through the group's exemplary Campaign for Healthier Babies, the March of Dimes funds much-needed research programs, community service, education and advocacy; and

WHEREAS, on Saturday, April 26, 1997; more than 825,000 walkers in 1,480 cities across the United States participated in the March of Dimes WalkAmerica to help raise money for this very worthwhile cause; and

WHEREAS, the very successful Campbell County WalkAmerica was led by David Chapman; and

WHEREAS, expertly assisting Mr. Chapman on the WalkAmerica Committee were Diana Smiddy, Scot Stiner, Charlotte Lindsay, Dick Householder, Kelly Freeman, Cindy Vinsant, Jan Wright, Rayma Daughtery, Eve Dople and Brenda Mack. Valuable help was also received from Georgina Wallace, Loretta Massengill, Linda Chapman, Betty Vermillion, Virginia Lay and Eva Dolcini; and

WHEREAS, prior to the event, Mr. Chapman modestly said "I'm walking to help build a brighter future for America's babies. I'm walking for all the babies who will be born healthy as a result of March of Dimes research, education and community programs at Jellico Hospital.

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With the community's support we can make this year's WalkAmerica the best ever and give Campbell County's babies a better chance at a healthy start to life."; and

WHEREAS, since its start in 1970, WalkAmerica has raised more than \$900 million; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to honor and commend David Chapman for his efforts in the Campbell County 1997 WalkAmerica; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby honor and commend David Chapman for his service to the March of Dimes. His excellent service reflects the finest traditions of the Volunteer State. We wish him every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.